



## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **The Woodlands Township COVID-19 Update, Friday, May 8, 2020**

#### **The Woodlands Township Board Update**



Watch a [video](#) as Township Chairman Gordy Bunch discusses the reopening of businesses in The Woodlands. The Township Board of Directors will be meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday, May 14, 2020, in a virtual conference to discuss additional openings of Township facilities and programs.

#### **The Woodlands Farmer's Market**

The Woodlands Farmer's Market is currently closed, but tentatively opening May 23, 2020. Customers are encouraged to check the website, Facebook page or newsletter for definite details in the week prior to May 23, 2020.

#### **Mobile Collection Site in Creekside Park**

Harris County Public Health mobile collection site will be at Lone Star College in Creekside Park Monday, May 11, 2020 through Saturday, May 16, 2020. Everyone is welcome and must schedule an appointment. Appointments can be scheduled online at <https://covcheck.hctx.net/> or by phone by calling (832) 927-7575. Drop-ins without a scheduled appointment will not be accepted.

#### **Information on Face Coverings**

The use of a cloth face covering is encouraged to help slow the spread of COVID-19. Please see the [CDC's Factsheet](#) on how to properly wear cloth face coverings, how to make your own homemade cloth face coverings, and sterilization of face coverings.



## **U.S. Food and Drug Administration Coronavirus Q and A's for Consumers**

Please see the FDA's [questions and answers](#) in regards to Remdesivir and SARS-CoV-2 as well as additional frequently asked questions.

## ***Township News***



### **Ready, Set, Riva Row: Boat House Re-Opens**

The Riva Row Boat House welcomes residents and guests back for fun on the water! Boat House staff members look forward to seeing you again and are ready to take your reservations for kayak rentals, stand up paddle boards and swan boats.

The Woodlands Township is committed to providing residents and guests with a fun environment while still keeping safety as a top priority. Enhanced sanitation and safety measures have been implemented to ensure safe usage of the kayaks, life jackets, paddles and swan boats. A newly-implemented reservation system is available with parties booking in 10-minute intervals in order to follow safe social distancing measures.

To make your reservation for fun on The Woodlands Waterway and Lake Woodlands, please call 281-210-3965. Please note, to eliminate cash/card handling on-site, all payments for reservations must be made over the phone. No cash will be accepted. For more information, please visit <https://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/Archive.aspx?ADID=10149>.



*Riva Row Boat House is now open on a reservation system, observing social distancing, face masks and sanitization of all materials for the safety of everyone to enjoy a day on the water.*



### **Hotels open or opening back soon in The Woodlands**

Many of The Woodlands hotel properties are open and ready to welcome you to their location. Below is a list of all open hotels in The Woodlands at this time. The Woodlands Resort announced it will reopen on May 20, 2020.

Hotels open for business include:

- [Drury Inn The Woodlands](#)
- [Residence Inn Lakefront Drive](#)
- [Residence Inn Market Street](#)
- [Hilton Garden Inn](#)
- [Hyatt Place](#)
- [Best Western Plus](#)
- [Candlewood Suites](#)

Stay up to date on any changes [here](#).

## ***County News***

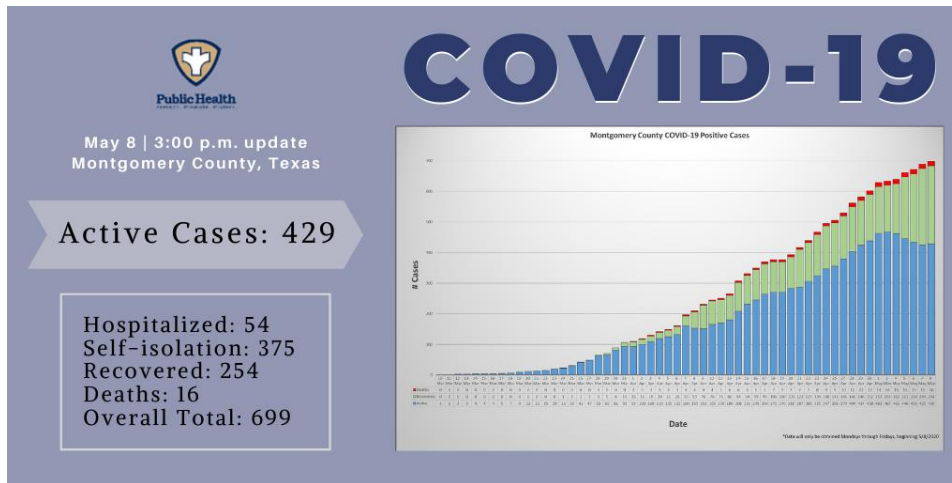
### **Montgomery County COVID-19 Case Count**

Montgomery County Public Health District, in conjunction with Montgomery County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, confirms there are now 429 ACTIVE cases of COVID-19. That number includes 54 hospitalizations. 254 people have fully recovered! The number of total positive cases has increased 10 since yesterday to 699. Sadly, the 16<sup>th</sup> death related to COVID-19 is a woman in her 100s who died at Park Manor of Conroe, a long-term care facility. We offer condolences to her family at this difficult time.

Details on individual cases can be found here: <https://mcphd-tx.org/coronavirus-covid-19/confirmed-cases/> .

Montgomery County Office of Emergency Management updates a dashboard for the cases here: <https://coronavirus-response-moco.hub.arcgis.com/>.

Montgomery County will have a mobile COVID-19 Testing Site May 10, 2020 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. **Tests will be conducted by appointment only** at 9333 Airport Rd. Conroe, TX 77303. To register for an appointment, visit [www.txcovidtest.org](http://www.txcovidtest.org) or call 512-883-2400. See [flyer](#) for more information.



### Harris County COVID-19 Case Count

As of May 8, 2020 (4 p.m.), Harris County Public Health (HCPH) has 3,175 positive cases (1,198 **active** cases). HCPH is also confirming that 1,907 of its patients have recovered. There have been 70 total deaths of COVID-19 in Harris County. None of these numbers include the City of Houston. A full description of the numbers can be found here: <https://tinyurl.com/tzymvk5>

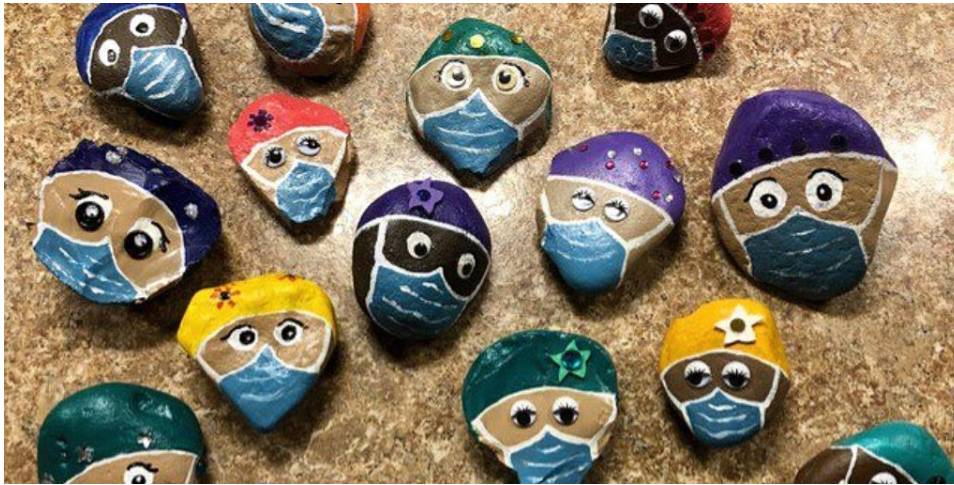
Cases by zip code in Harris County can be found here by clicking on [areas of the map](#).

The Village of Creekside Park is located in two zip codes: 77375 and 77389 and these also include Magnolia, Augusta Pines/Auburn Lakes/West Rayford Road in northwest Harris County. Today, Harris County is reporting zip code 77375 has 54 cases and 77389 has 38 cases.

### ***Around the Township***







### **#Township Together**

Send us your photos! The Woodlands Township is calling on residents to share images of inspiration within the community. These can be a photo of something seen in the neighborhood, a family project or anything with a positive message. These will be shared through the Township email updates, social media channels and on [The Woodlands Township website](http://thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov). Send your photos to [TownshipTogether@thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov](mailto:TownshipTogether@thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov).

### **Virtual Passport Program, Support Restaurants and Businesses in The Woodlands**

Looking to try new restaurants or shops while social distancing? Save this passport to your phone and check off these "destinations" as you support dining and shopping options in The Woodlands. You can visit these destinations by making [purchases from local stores](#) and [ordering from area restaurants](#). Post your progress to encourage your friends and neighbors to participate. Snap photos of your food and purchases and be sure to share them on social media, tagging the business and using #SoWoodlands.

- Shopping Guide: [www.visitthewoodlands.com/shoplocal](http://www.visitthewoodlands.com/shoplocal)
- Dining Guide: [www.visitthewoodlands.com/eatlocal](http://www.visitthewoodlands.com/eatlocal)

### **Things to Do at Home**

From having your own film festival at home to virtual puzzles and more, *Visit The Woodlands* has created a guide for things you can enjoy while at home. If you need ideas on ways to keep busy at home, head to [www.visitthewoodlands.com/athome](http://www.visitthewoodlands.com/athome).

### **Community Resources**

Numerous resources are available in the community for support. These vary from food banks to financial assistance and much more. Please visit the link below to find more information about resources in the community related to COVID-19: <http://thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/1491/Community-Resources>.

**The Township's Coronavirus page**

The Woodlands Township's special COVID-19 information page can be found at [www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/covid19](http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/covid19). This page features Montgomery and Harris county Hubs, community resources and updated COVID-19 news from the Federal Government and the CDC. This page also includes the latest news from The Township, updates from partner agencies, social distancing strategies, important links, frequently asked questions, live Twitter feeds and more.

**Hotlines for health questions and COVID-19**

*Montgomery County: 936-523-5040*

*Harris County: 713-634-1110*

*Statewide Mental Health Support Line: 833-986-1919*

**Free Self-Screening Tool for COVID-19**

Visit the self-screening tool on the CDC website: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>.

**Tracking COVID-19: Local, Regionally, Nationally, Internationally**

Below are the widgets for tracking COVID19.

- [Montgomery County](#)
- [Texas Counties Statewide](#)
- [Texas Department of Health and Human Services Case Counts](#)
- [Global Cases](#)

**Stay Connected**

Please stay connected to The Woodlands Township through our many communications channels. Learn more and sign up at [www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/stayinformed](http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/stayinformed).

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*The Woodlands Township publishes this update to inform residents and businesses regarding the COVID-19 and its impact on The Woodlands Township. Please sign up for Township news and notifications at [www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/notifyme](http://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/notifyme).*